

Frederick County Commission For Women

Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street

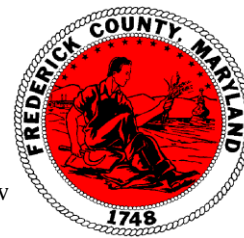
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Monthly Meeting Minutes

7:00 pm

October 8, 2013

Winchester Hall, 3rd Floor

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Commissioners Present: Sharon Dobson, Valerie Dougherty, Tish Honse, Christine Ferguson, Susan Mender, Veralynn Morris, Diana Halleman Cynthia Miller, Natalie Abbas, Linda Roth, Marcela Perez, , Ashley Collier, Olga Hernandez-Smith, Shellome Walters

Absent Commissioners: Susan Mender

Guests: Viv Wayne, Theresa Smith, Heather Gray, Victoria Zevallos-Woods, Silvia Munoz. Rosario, Mike Dickson, Michelle Nusum-Smith

I. **President's Report and Announcements**

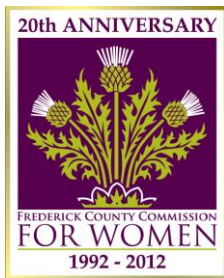
- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.
- b. Commissioners, guests and volunteers introduced themselves.
- c. September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Halleman moved that minutes be approved. Commissioner Ferguson seconded. Motion passed.
- d. Speaker—Mike Dickson, Owner of Seed of Life Nurseries and Juice Plate Restaurant gave a presentation about the organization. He talked about his personal reasons for starting the group. He wanted to help others and give back. They are funded through local businesses and they work with many local groups. The CFW can help to publicize through our social media. .
- e. Announcements:
 - i. Commissioner Halleman updated the group on several upcoming events - the Literacy Council's An Evening with David Brooks at the Weinberg Center on Oct 23; Mayoral forum at Holiday Cinema on 10/9; Golden Alliance Mixer on 10/10; City Wide NAC Candidate Forum on 10/22 at the American Legion.
 - ii. President Roth announced that Day of the Girl event on 10/9, Walk a Mile in Her Shoes on 10/12, and the Women's Legislative Briefing on 1/26/14.
- f. Calendar of Events: Any calendar updates should be sent to President Roth

I. **Financial Report:** Treasurer Dougherty gave an update on current account balances and reported that she discussed Form 1099 preparation with the County

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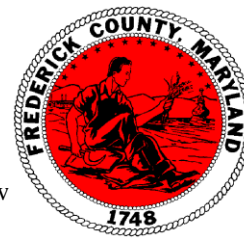
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Finance Dept and provided them with all of the CFW financial account activity for the FY ended 6/30/13 per their request.

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II. Committee/Liaison Reports:

- a. **Legislative** - Commissioner Morris reported on the Legislative Committee's "meet the candidate" night on 10/24 for Frederick City mayoral and alderman candidates. It will be sponsored by the CFW partnering with Delta Sigma Theta at Centennial Memorial Church on W. Second St. Attendees will be asked to bring a food item to be donated to 2nd Street and Hope.
- b. **Outreach** – Commissioner Hernandez-Smith reported on Fort Detrick Hispanic Heritage Proclamation and Hispanic Heritage Month observance. She announced that the CFW was presented with Certificates of Appreciation for contributing to their program. She also discussed the panel for the Maryland Women's Conference.
- c. **Recruitment** – Commissioner Walters reported that there are five new volunteers. A vote will be taken on a Commissioner applicant in closed session after the public meeting.

III. Old Business:

- a. Maryland Women's Conference – Commissioner Dobson provided a report on the conference. She passed out a copy of the final program. The committee decided not to increase the registration fee to \$60. She asked for volunteers and several commissioners responded.
- b. Commissioner Ferguson asked all to provide feedback on notes from the annual retreat.

IV. New Business: Closed Session – Commission went into closed session to vote on new commissioner applicant and Pledge of Allegiance.

V. Adjournment: Commissioner Ferguson moved and Commissioner Collier seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next public meeting will be Tuesday, November 12, 2013.

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